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E. coli cases linked to Costco meat

Investigation.

Tenderizing machine may have tainted Kirkland-brand steaks, AHS says

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Alberta Health Services has traced back four Edmonton-area E. coli cases to steaks sold at Costco stores in Edmonton.

The cases also appear linked to a massive nationwide beef recall from processor XL foods.

While Costco does purchase beef from XL foods, neither the Canadian Food Inspection Agency nor AHS can confirm that the beef came from the plant.

AHS has still not been able to identify the source of four other cases, including three in Calgary.

Dr. Gerry Predy, AHS chief medical officer of health, said they were also looking at tenderizing

equipment used in Costco stores as a potential part of the problem.

"They have a piece of equipment that has sharp needle-like objects that tenderize steaks," he said.

"If there was any contamination on the surface it could take that contamination and get it into the middle of the steak."

Predy said AHS has asked Costco to stop using the equipment in all of its stores and they did so immediately.

XL foods has had an ongoing beef recalls affecting meat sold at a number of outlets across the country.

Guy Gravelle, a spokesperson with CFIA said they do not yet know if the Costco products were contaminated in the store or at the plant.

"We are trying to trace back the source of the contamination and in regards to the Kirkland meat.

"It could have happened at the Costco store and it could have happened at XL."

To see a complete list of what has been recalled, visit inspection.gc.ca.



Dr. James Talbot, Alberta's chief medical officer, left, and Dr. Gerry Predy, chief medical officer of health at Alberta Health Services, talk to reporters on Wednesday about four new E. coli cases in the Edmonton area. AHS has traced them to meat bought at a Costco store. RYAN TUMILTY /METRO

Partnership bears results

Domestic-violence cases reach historic low after community groups, police work together to tackle the problem

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Bath salts. Police chief 'thrilled' with ban

Calgary authorities have not yet seized any quantity of the drug known as bath salts, but the police chief said Wednesday he knows it's been used locally and is applauding a decision by the federal government to ban a key ingredient.

The compound MDPV will now be treated the same as cocaine or heroin, according to federal Health Minister Leona Aglukkaq.

In its typical form, bath salts resemble a number of standard household products, but when ingested it can produce powerful hallucinations and uncontrollable physical reactions.

Police responding to reports of a 21-year-old Calgary man suffering a psychotic episode in June were told by his parents that he ingested bath salts; however, officers found no remainder of the substance to test.

Dr. Mark Yarema told Metro earlier this summer that a few patients suffering severe side-effects in city hospitals had also likely ingested bath salts, but, again, no formal testing was done to confirm his theory.

Still, Calgary police Chief Rick Hanson welcomed the federal government's actions.

"I'm thrilled," he said. "Too many people were out there selling it. They were bringing it into the country.... It is an awful drug."

Hanson said he last consulted with drug-unit investigators about bath salts about one month ago and they reported it being used by a small number of local residents.

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Quoted

"It is an awful drug."

Police Chief Rick Hanson



Okotoks councillors voted this week in favour of lifting the town's population cap but also voted against the idea of a water pipeline from Calgary to service future growth, opting instead to look at other water options. METRO FILE

Okotoks leery of city's water plan

City limits. Proposed corporation would provide water and wastewater service to surrounding municipalities, not Calgary residents



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Calgary's plan to create a subsidiary water corporation was partly responsible for Okotoks' recent rejection of a water pipeline from Calgary, according to an Okotoks councillor who described the plan as "distasteful."

After Okotoks, which is 20 kilometres south of Calgary,

voted to lift its population cap Monday, it approved a motion to reject entering into an agreement with the City of Calgary to pipe water into the town.

Coun. Stephen Clark estimates Calgary holds \$1.8 billion worth of unused water licences and he doesn't like the idea of them being transferred to a for-profit corporation.

"That \$1.8 billion is, in my mind, a resource that is owned by all Albertans and allocated to the City of Calgary, and in my mind it seems a little distasteful that they would then be profiting from a resource that belongs to all Albertans," he said.

Calgary's proposal to create the corporation was submitted to the province 18 months ago, but was recently

sent back to the city for revisions.

Okotoks Mayor Bill Robertson plans to speak with Municipal Affairs Minister Doug Griffiths this week about the legalities of Calgary's plan.

"It's a little up in the air," Robertson said. "The province has to give approval to this wholly owned subsidiary and there's some thought that that's not going to happen at this point."

Calgary Ald. Jim Stevenson, however, said the corporation would benefit smaller municipalities because it would take care of major capital expenses.

"It would be set up so they would be able to have the services without the tens of millions of dollars that are involved in infrastructure upgrades," he said.

In defence

- Ald. Jim Stevenson said the idea of the water corporation was approved by the Calgary Regional Partnership, of which Okotoks is a member.

- Ald. Gord Lowe said the corporation would not be a big money maker for Calgary, but noted, "We will look for a margin, because ... we will be taking the risk."

- It's "not that unusual" for the province to request revisions to a proposal this complex, according to an Alberta government spokesman.

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Domestic-violence incidents reach historic low in Calgary

Team approach. Four-year-old partnership between police and community groups helps cut down on repeat offences, homicides



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Teaming police with community partners has steered the number of Calgary domestic-violence incidents down well below historical trends, according to representatives.

In 2008, the city's domestic-conflict response team (DCRT) was launched with the backing of the Calgary Police Service as well as numerous support agencies.

The partnership sees police work in tandem with social workers to not only address the urgent concerns of

a domestic incident but also get at the root of the problem.

"If there's a call for help, we as a community are coming," explained Kevin McNichol from support group HomeFront.

Statistics accumulated since the inception of DCRT indicate the approach is working and is also earning a great deal of attention elsewhere. A member of the Calgary Police Commission remarked during a presentation Tuesday that Calgary's decline in domestic violence recently drew awe from those in attendance at a conference in Europe.

Police Insp. Cliff O'Brien said that though the team's initial success is promising, its real impact may not be realized for years.

"Hopefully, we are going in there, we are fixing the problem, so the children don't have to be raised in a domestic violence home," he said.

"To me, it's exciting that we are potentially saving the next generation."

DCRT effects

Domestic violence by the numbers

- **Homicides.** Traditionally in Calgary, domestic violence accounts for 30 per cent of the city's homicides. Last year, just 18 per cent of criminal deaths were attributed to a domestic incident and so far this year there hasn't been a single one.
- **Total incidents.** As well, efforts in Calgary's northern communities, where the domestic conflict response team first began, saw total domestic incidents cut by 75 per cent when comparing the one-year periods before and after the team was established.



Calgary police Insp. Cliff O'Brien is seen during a presentation on the city's domestic-conflict response team this week. JEREMY NOLAÏS/METRO

RCMP explain aggression shown on YouTube

RCMP say there is more than one side to the story of a recent arrest in which an officer kicked a handcuffed man lying on the ground in the face.

A video of the arrest, shot on a cellphone by someone at a rowdy party near Cold Lake, Alta., last weekend, clearly recorded the kick and the roaring protests of the crowd. The footage, uploaded to YouTube, is gaining public outrage.

RCMP say the video doesn't show that the giant man was drunk and had been taunting officers and flexing his muscles

for a fight.

Supt. Randy McGinnis said Wednesday that officers went to Riverhurst Community Hall three times on Friday night and early Saturday morning. Some parents had organized a birthday dance for some young people and no alcohol was being served.

But word of the party spread through social media and about 100 others, including adults, showed up. Many were drinking in the parking lot and some had hauled in campers so they could stay overnight.

McGinnis said Claybert was acting like a mixed martial arts fighter preparing for a match with police. At one point, McGinnis said, Richard Claybert ran at an officer, stopped, laughed and walked away.

Officers "decided they had to do something with this individual before the situation got out of hand."

Claybert repeatedly refused to leave the party and, when told he was under arrest, wouldn't get down on the ground, said McGinnis. Officers struck him in the leg with a

baton but he didn't flinch. Officers learned after releasing him that Claybert is hearing impaired.

After officers sprayed him with pepper spray, Claybert voluntarily laid down on his stomach. McGinnis said officers had to use two sets of handcuffs on the man — about five-foot-10 tall and 300 pounds. McGinnis said police were trying to link the two sets of handcuffs when the man started to roll over and struggle. The only thing he had left to subdue the man with was his foot. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Further details

- **Injury.** Claybert told CTV News that the arrest was "extreme" and his ribs and legs were injured, although he didn't go to hospital. Claybert didn't return calls for further comment.
- **Charges.** RCMP have yet to officially lay charges but expect Claybert will be charged with causing a disturbance and resisting arrest. He is to appear in provincial court Oct. 24.
- **Investigation.** Though Claybert didn't have any marks on him and has not filed a complaint, McGinnis said the RCMP is taking the matter seriously and is investigating the officer for excessive force.

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Sweet City. Calgary 2012 seeks lip dubbers

Is "appear in a music video" on your bucket list? Calgary 2012 is hoping so, as they invite the public to take part in singing this year's theme song.

In conjunction with being named the Cultural Capital of Canada, Calgary has adopted Sweet City Woman as its theme song, and are hoping to sing it to the world.

On Saturday, Calgary 2012 will be taping the Sweet City Lip Dub, which will be a flash mob style music video.

"We want Calgarians — and all their friends — to star in a video showcasing our great city," said Michael Green, Calgary 2012 curator and creative producer in a statement. "Thousands of people will come together as part of this video project that will go viral

Lip Dub deets

- The taping will take place at Olympic Plaza and the Municipal Plaza in front of city hall on Saturday.
- Participants can check in at 10 a.m. in the Municipal Building Atrium, and rehearsals will follow before taping begins at 2 p.m.

around the world."

Following the Lip Dub, participants can enjoy a free concert in Olympic Plaza featuring The Dudes, Samantha Savage Smith and High Valley.

For additional information, visit calgary2012.com.

KATIE TURNER/METRO

Downtown core

Fire crews respond to cooking-oil dump

Fire crews responded to a call in the downtown core Wednesday after reports of used cooking oil being dumped.

Around 10 a.m., the Calgary Fire Department was called to an area near 7 Ave.

and Centre St. South.

They found an empty 200 gallon container that is used for the collection of used cooking oil.

According to the CFD, reports indicated the container had been emptied earlier in the morning by an oil collection company. The CFD says it doesn't appear as though oil entered the waterway. METRO

Creator hopes Calgarians stumble upon 'Zine Machine'



Zine Machine #2 is pictured at Shelf Life Books in downtown Calgary.

PHOTO CONTRIBUTED BY KARLENE NICOLAJSEN

What's old is new again. Calgarian refurbishes old vending machines for zine distribution



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These vending machines don't pop out any candy, but thanks to an enterprising Calgarian, the "Zine Machine" provides something equally as sweet.

Karlene Nicolajsen is one of the founders of Small Ghosts — an independent press that is literally run out of a closet.

Nicolajsen said since high school she's been producing zines, which are do-it-yourself, small circulation, pamph-

Quoted

"From collage art, to poetry, to fiction, to how-to's. There's definitely a variety." Karlene Nicolajsen

let-style printings that have a wide variety of content.

She said after coming across a larger electronic zine vending machine in Montreal, she decided to bring something similar to Calgary and has since refurbished two old vending machines for the production of locally-made zines.

"The Zine Machine is sort of to get more distribution for people making zines in Calgary, and also to have them available and stumbled upon by people who don't really know what they are," she said.

The vending machines take four quarters for a zine, and are focused specifically on content produced in Canada and in Calgary.

Sandy Davies of Shelf Life Books on 4th St S.W., where Zine Machine #2 is currently housed, said the project has generated a lot of interest from their customers.

"We've got nothing but positive comments," she said. "You come upon it and it's like a little magical, make-you-happy kind of thing."

For more information on the Zine Machine, visit zinemachine.ca.

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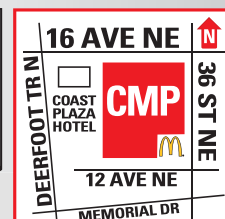
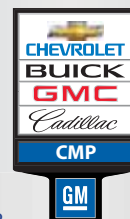
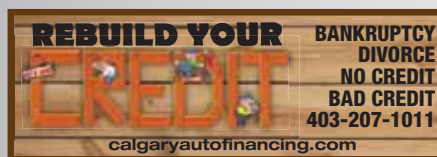


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Development

Harvie Passage
'doing its job,'
says province

Provincial officials have no plans to alter a new passage on Calgary's Bow River despite concerns from the fire department.

Data provided earlier this week indicates fire rescue

teams have been called to the new Harvie Passage more than 70 times despite claims the \$17-million development would improve safety by allowing boaters to overcome a dangerous weir, long dubbed the "drowning machine."

At least 14 people drowned in the weir over the years because its natural design created a downward force that prevented those tossed from their watercrafts from surfacing.

The province owns the passage but safety and enforcement is left to municipal bodies.

Shannon Nicolson, a spokesperson with Alberta Sustainable Resource Development, said the province plans to continue educating water enthusiasts but Harvie Passage's current design will likely stand pat.

"This new design pushes people through as opposed to

sucking them under ... it's doing its job," she said, adding more people are travelling through the area since a safety boom was removed ahead of the passage's opening.

A Calgary man died in July after the raft he was in capsized at the passage. Fearing further danger, the fire department has said it plans to reinstall a new safety boom but has yet to formalize a timeline for doing so. **JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO**



A kayaker is seen heading into Harvie Passage earlier this summer.

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Premier says
no cuts to
municipalities

Promises. Redford tells AUMA that \$3-billion deficit won't be a burden for municipalities

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Alberta Premier Alison Redford assured municipalities Wednesday that they won't face cuts in light of the province's worsening budget situation.

"We will not balance the budget on the backs of municipalities," Redford said to the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) conference at the Shaw conference Centre in Edmonton.

The province's first quarter update released in August showed the province is facing a deficit of as much as \$3 billion this year, nearly triple what they projected at budget time.

Redford told the gathering of municipal mayors and coun-

cillors she would not make a knee-jerk reaction to the financial numbers.

AUMA president and Edmonton city councillor Linda Sloan said the news from the premier was a relief, but most municipalities were also hopeful the province wouldn't pursue large cuts.

She added she hopes for more funding, not less from the provincial government.

"We want to have more flexible and assured funding work to do the core infrastructure work that municipalities need to do."

Background

- The AUMA is the lobby group for all towns and cities in the province.
- In 2007, the province announced a 10-year municipal sustainability plan that gave municipalities nearly \$12 billion over 10 years.



Legendary Turkish delight

Malik Muradov, branch director of the Intercultural Dialogue Institute (IDI) Calgary, centre, enjoys some Noah's Pudding with 13-year-old twins Yagmur Kardas, left, and Yaprak Kardas. The traditional Turkish dessert is named Noah's Pudding because, according to legend, it originated from dozens of foods left over after Noah's Ark arrived in Turkey, which all blended together into a delicious dish. Noah's Pudding has become a symbol of successful multiculturalism within the Turkish community in Canada. On Wednesday the IDI celebrated by sharing the dessert with the public at Calgary Police Service headquarters. **ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO**

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YouthLink board chair Jessica Abt is seen with some conceptual designs for the organization's planned headquarters at the Calgary Police Service's Westwinds campus. JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

YouthLink to serve more kids under new roof

Headquarters.

Corporate-funding injection will allow officers to get at root of crime problems earlier, says police chief



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Crime prevention was on the minds of police and community proponents Wednesday as a \$1-million cheque was handed over to help develop a new headquarters for Calgary's YouthLink program.

The original downtown YouthLink centre was established 17 years ago, but those

Donation

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Encana Corp. put forward \$1 million to help establish a new YouthLink headquarters.

involved with the organization are now eyeing a 9,000-square-foot home at the Calgary Police Service's Westwinds campus.

The program offers information, exhibits and programs to school groups on a number of key issues everyday youth deal with, including bullying, domestic violence and drug experimentation.

"It makes it so if they (youth) encounter one of those issues, they are better informed to make a decision themselves," explained Jessica Abt, board

chair for YouthLink.

The total cost of developing the new centre is \$8 million, and the organization was given a hand towards that future courtesy of Encana Corp.

Calgary Police Chief Rick Hanson was present during the cheque presentation, and said expanding YouthLink's reach will have a long-term effect on cutting into city crime.

"We know that recruiting (of youth) is done, for instance, with gangs," he said. "What comes out of gangs? Crime, drugs, drug addiction — all of the kinds of things that, when we look at it, it's preventable."

"If it's predictable, it's preventable."

YouthLink hopes to open the new centre in 2014 and expand the number of kids it sees annually to 25,000 from 10,000.



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Lawsuit settlement

UC to pay Occupy protesters \$1M

The University of California has agreed to pay \$1 million to settle a lawsuit filed by demonstrators who were pepper-sprayed during an Occupy protest at UC Davis last fall, according to a preliminary settlement filed Wednesday.

The Nov. 18, 2011, incident, during which a police officer casually dispensed orange pepper spray in the faces of non-violent protesters,

prompted national outrage, angry campus protests and calls for the resignation of Chancellor Linda Katehi after online videos went viral.

Under the settlement, UC would pay \$30,000 to 21 plaintiffs and an additional \$250,000 to their attorneys.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Lt. John Pike of the Davis police uses pepper spray to move protesters last year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Union convention

B.C. towns vote to decriminalize pot

British Columbia's municipal politicians have waded into the national marijuana debate by voting in favour of decriminalizing pot and studying the benefits of taxing and regulating it.

Mayors and councillors attending the annual Union of B.C. Municipalities convention were backed Wednesday by the Victoria-area community of Metchosin to support

marijuana decriminalization during a stirring debate.

"I tried it when I was younger, and I turned out OK," said Prince George Coun. Brian Skakun.

The majority said it was time B.C. did something to counter the violent control organized crime has over the marijuana industry — estimated to be worth \$7 billion annually. But Tom Siddon, a B.C. Interior regional district politician, said this would send the wrong message to young people. "This is not a remedy." THE CANADIAN PRESS



Screengrab images from surveillance video shown at the Charbonneau Commission in Montreal Wednesday. A police detective showed the video of prominent construction bosses and high-ranking members of the Rizzuto crime family exchanging cash. THE CANADIAN PRESS/HO

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Mafia dealings caught on video

Relevance. Evidence against construction industry never used because it wasn't pertinent in RCMP's drug investigation

Hours of police video of Mafia backroom dealings — the sort seen in Hollywood films — was played at a public inquiry into corruption Wednesday.

The memorable scenes included the one-time don of the country's most powerful Mafia family, the late Nicolo Rizzuto, at meetings with construction-industry players where he received wads of cash and stuffed them into his socks.

Quebec's corruption inquiry has promised to examine ties between organized crime, the construction industry and the world of political-party financing.

After months of anticipation, it witnessed video evidence of financial links between the underworld and the construction world.

The images were gathered by the RCMP as part of surveillance operations in 2004 and 2005 — and they were largely ignored until now.

Construction industry boss-

Operation Colisee

- Videos were shot during a five-year investigation that led to mass arrests in 2006 — the largest sweep against the Italian Mafia in Canadian history.
- The operation helped precipitate the decline of the Rizzuto empire, many of whose members are now in jail or dead.
- Vito Rizzuto, the most powerful member in the family when arrested in 2004, will be released from a U.S. prison Oct. 6.

es were seen handing cash to Rizzuto or other Mafia types; there were also scenes from a Christmas party where businessmen and senior members of the Cosa Nostra exchanged affectionate two-cheek kisses.

The scenes were gathered by cameras hidden at an east-end Montreal "social club" that served as the Mafia's headquarters. Significant amounts of cash — as much as \$20,000 at a time — exchanged hands.

The Mounties fought in court to keep from sharing the evidence but Quebec's Charbonneau Commission won that court battle to access the footage. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Red Bull heir pays off family of cop he killed

Common practice.

Vorayuth still faces criminal charges after hitting victim with his Ferrari in Bangkok and dragging his body

The billionaire family of a Red Bull energy drink heir accused of killing a police officer in a hit-and-run accident paid the officer's siblings about \$100,000 in a deal aimed at avoiding a civil lawsuit, police said Wednesday.

Vorayuth Yoovidhya, 27, is charged with driving a Ferrari that struck the officer and dragged his body down a Bangkok street earlier this month.

The Yoovidhya family paid the officer's siblings 3 million baht (\$97,000 US) last



Vorayuth Yoovidhya was taken into custody last month after driving into a Bangkok cop. AP FILE

week, police Lt. Col. Viradon Thubthimdee said. He said the settlement will protect Vorayuth from a civil lawsuit.

"We sometimes call this a 'funeral fee.' If the victim's party is satisfied with the

amount of money, then they will not seek compensation through a court," Viradon said.

The payment, however, does not protect Vorayuth from criminal charges of causing death by reckless driving and fleeing to avoid arrest. If convicted, he faces up to 10 years in jail and a fine of 20,000 baht (\$666).

The payment from the extremely wealthy family is also unlikely to quell public outrage over the incident and an initial attempt to cover up Vorayuth's alleged involvement by arresting a bogus suspect.

The family was ranked fourth-richest in the country by Forbes magazine with a net worth of \$5.4 billion.

It is not uncommon for the rich and privileged to get away with crimes in Thailand.

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Iran's Ahmadinejad talks, Canadians walk out again

United Nations. Tensions run high at UN meeting only weeks after Canada closed embassy in Iran

Canadian diplomats walked out Wednesday as Mahmoud Ahmadinejad subjected the United Nations to more of his trademark political vitriol, but the Iranian president brushed off Canada's anti-Iran bent even as Tehran warned its citizens to avoid the country for fear of rampant "Iranophobia."

It wasn't the first time the Canadian delegation has walked out on Ahmadinejad — they did it last year and in 2009 at the United Nations annual gathering of world leaders.

But tensions are running higher than ever between the two countries after Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird shuttered Canada's embassy in Iran three weeks ago.

"We will not sit silently in our chairs and listen to Iran's hateful, anti-Western, anti-Semitic views," Baird's press secretary, Rick Roth, said.

"If anything, today's address only reinforces our decision earlier this month to suspend diplomatic relations with Iran."

Ahmadinejad was dismissive of Canada in a news conference following his speech to the UN.

"I fundamentally don't see this as a very important issue. Of course we did not have a substantial economic relationship with Canada," he said.

Ahmadinejad didn't mention Canada by name during his speech, but a statement was posted Wednesday by the Islamic Republic News Agency, Iran's official news agency. The statement, attributed to Iran's Foreign Ministry, warned Iranian citizens against travelling to Canada, citing "Islamophobia," "Iranophobia" and a "double standard" in Canada towards human rights.

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Mahmoud Ahmadinejad gestures at the United Nations General Assembly Wednesday. JASON DECROW/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Analysis

Iran's leader politically wounded

Iran's president has no trouble making himself heard: rumbling through the UN's annual world gathering this week with comments bashing homosexuality, describing Israel as a doomed misfit in the Middle East and predicting a rising tide against U.S. "bullying."

On one point, however, he is mum — his plans after elections next June that will close out his second and final term.

Mahmoud Ahmadinejad has so far dodged questions about possible post-presidential roles with cryptic replies or inscrutable silence. Yet this much is clear: Despite his bravado at the UN and other international forums, he heads into the last months of his presidency politically wounded at home in the wake of damaging skirmishes with Iran's ruling system.

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Ambrose feels pro-life heat

Bill defeated. But Status of Women minister criticized after she votes in favour of it

A Tory MP's landmark pro-life bid was defeated in the House of Commons on Wednesday night — and the prime minister helped torpedo it.

Stephen Harper voted against the motion to have Parliament study the definition of a human being.

But 10 ministers voted to keep the debate alive.

Status of Women Minister

Quoted

"Mr. Harper can't have it both ways. He can't claim that he's against reopening the abortion debate and having a sitting minister vote in favour of reopening the abortion debate."

Thomas Mulcair,
NDP leader

Rona Ambrose was among the cabinet members who rose to vote in favour of Stephen Woodworth's private motion — and was roundly criticized for it.

"It's unacceptable," said NDP MP Niki Ashton.

"Stephen Harper told us his government wasn't willing to reopen the debate and you have the minister in charge of the status of women voting (in favour)."

She said it raises questions whether Ambrose should retain her duties.

"I think it's shameful that the minister ... in charge of moving forward on women's equality today stood up in the House to essentially attack a woman's right to choose."

The motion was defeated by a vote of 203-91.

Harper had called Woodworth's motion "unfortunate," and said he would vote against it because of his electoral commitment not to re-open the contentious abortion debate.

But more than 80 Conservative MPs did not appear to view their vote as a contradiction to the election promise.

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Status of Women Minister Rona Ambrose, pictured on Monday, voted in favour of the controversial pro-life motion on Wednesday. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Stephen Woodworth

MP wants to protect the unborn

When does human life begin?

Currently, the Criminal Code of Canada defines a child as a human only after it emerges alive from the mother's body at birth.

Stephen Woodworth, below, and his supporters point out that the landmark 1988 ruling confirming abortion rights in Canada also noted the potential need to protect unborn babies at some point during a pregnancy.

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Trudeau plays coy

Justin Trudeau's star power was vividly on display Wednesday as reports of his imminent entry into the Liberal leadership race sparked a media frenzy on Parliament Hill.

But the 40-year-old Montreal MP coyly refused to confirm or deny reports he'll announce his leadership bid Tuesday.

A phalanx of television cameras and outstretched microphones besieged Liberals outside their usually quiet weekly caucus meeting.

It was a testament to Trudeau's magnetic ability to attract attention.



Justin Trudeau sparked a media frenzy Wednesday, but revealed nothing. THE CANADIAN PRESS

your interest," he said on his way out of the meeting.

"I'm pleased to hear all the buzz and all the interest in the Liberal party's fortunes."

"But I have nothing further today.... I promise I will let you know when I have something to announce."

Liberals are desperate to avoid sinking into oblivion after being battered in the 2011 election.

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Key ingredient in bath-salts drug now illegal

Alleviating confusion.

The government says people shouldn't confuse the street drug's name with legitimate bath products

The federal government is banning a key ingredient found in the street drug known as bath salts.

The compound, called MDPV, will now be treated the same as cocaine or heroin.

Health Minister Leona Aglukkaq says the new rules make it illegal to possess, traffic, import or export the substance.

The compound can be used in legitimate research if authorized by regulation.

The minister says the decision to ban MDPV follows concerns expressed by health

Playing with your head

The bath-salts street drug is said to have mind-altering properties.

officials about the health and safety risks associated with its use.

She says police and the Canada Border Services Agency are also concerned about the substance's grow-

ing popularity and availability.

The government stressed that people shouldn't confuse MDPV and its street name with legitimate bath products.

The Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police welcomed the ban, calling it "an important step in stopping organized criminal groups from acquiring and profiting from this illegal substance."

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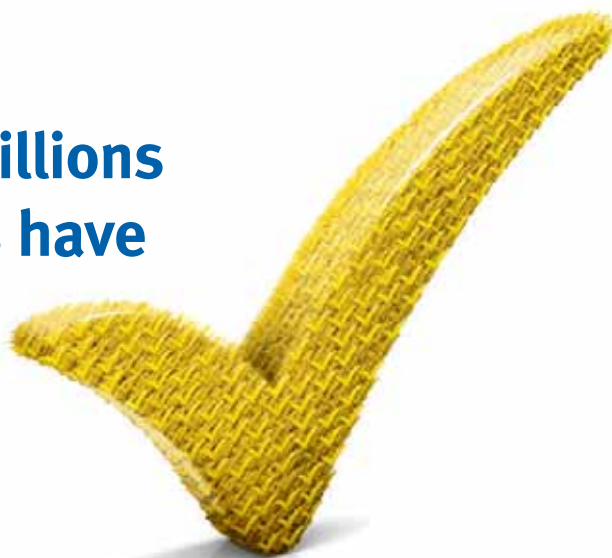


Minister of Health Leona Aglukkaq announces during a news conference in Ottawa on Wednesday that additional chemicals are regulated under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS



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\$3.1M lawsuit. Manitoba pharmacy misrepresented NIHB claims: Ottawa

Investigation

The claims are the latest to surface as part of a months-long investigation by The Canadian Press into alleged wrongdoing involving federal money for aboriginal health care. Here's another case:

- **Alleged misuse.** A New Brunswick First Nations health centre where half a million dollars that came from federal contribution agreements was allegedly misappropriated.

A Prairie pharmacist and his former drug store face a multi-million-dollar lawsuit from the federal government over allegations they fleeced the aboriginal health-benefits plan.

A newly released report and documents filed in a Manitoba court allege Murvin Abas and Fisher Pharmacy submitted phoney claims to the Non-Insured Health Benefits program, overcharged for some products and had excessively high dispensing fees.

Ottawa is now suing Abas and the pharmacy for \$3.1 million.

In a statement of claim filed in January, the government alleges Abas "fraudulently and negligently misrepresented information and claims" submitted to the NIHB program.

"Abas made the representations of false and inaccurate claims to the NIHB program fraudulently in that he knew the representations were false or he was reckless in not caring whether they were true or false and that Canada relied on the

false or reckless misrepresentations in reimbursing Abas Pharmacy for the claims submitted under the NIHB program," the government alleges in its statement of claim.

None of the allegations have been proven in court, and a statement of defence has yet to be filed.

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Readership numbers. Metro jumps by 9 per cent in Calgary

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"This is terrific news," says Steve Shrout, Vice President and Group Publisher, Metro Western Canada. "Metro Calgary has shown growth in readership for the fifth straight year, a testament to the vital role Metro plays in delivering the news Calgarians want. We especially recognize the support of our readers, advertisers and staff in helping us realize this kind of growth."

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Site makeover

MySpace revamp stars Timberlake

MySpace, the once-mighty social network-turned-entertainment site, is trying to stage yet another comeback with the help of Justin Timberlake.

The company posted a video this week that teases the New Myspace and lets people sign up for invitations to join. Based on the video, the new site looks like an entertainment-focused version of Pinterest, with a dash of Twitter and Facebook. Timberlake, who is featured prominently in the video, bought MySpace last year with a group of investors. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Wanna take it outside? Take it online instead

'Wisdom of the crowd'

Dispute-resolution sites provide individuals and businesses with a faster, low-cost means for settling conflicts

Never mind telling your side of the story in court, or to your best friend. Cyber justice is starting to be dispensed to resolve civil disputes and personal disagreements. Sometimes it's left to ordinary folks to vote on winners and losers.

Take eQuibbly, for example. It lets people bring their personal and business disputes online — anything from complaints about loud music to boyfriends ogling other women to how restaurant tips should be shared.

Founder and president Lance Soskin cites the case of the ogling boyfriend and noted that people agreed with his fiancée that he should concentrate on her when they're out together.

"He responded with, 'Well I gave up my porn for her' and he thought that was quite an achievement," Soskin said from Toronto. "Eventually people on the site just convinced him he was being rude and uncouth."

Participants read both sides of an argument and vote on who wins the dispute, which Soskin called "crowd



The website eQuibbly is seen Wednesday in Montreal. It lets people bring their personal and business disputes online. RYAN REMIOWZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quoted

"You can't go to court for a few hundred dollars. Most of the court systems in the U.S. and Canada are backlogged with thousands upon thousands upon thousands of cases." Lance Soskin, founder and president of eQuibbly

voting." The web application is free to its users and obviously does not deal with criminal cases or more serious matters like divorce.

Technology analyst Duncan Stewart said theoretically the "crowd" should be impartial.

"There's this whole wisdom of the crowd thing — a million people know more than one person no matter how smart that one person is," said Stewart, director of Deloitte Canada Re-

search for Technology, Media and Telecommunications.

"People are voluntarily contributing to the public good."

Stewart said eQuibbly does what has been done informally for years and added "even things that might be settled by the courts might start being settled by the crowd because they're better."

EQuibbly has a more serious side, though, which allows individuals and businesses to agree to a debate with a binding reso-

lution.

Soskin sees shortfalls in the justice system that online dispute resolution might solve. The justice system is somewhat biased toward people who have money and time, he said.

"You can't go to court for a few hundred dollars," he said. "Most of the court systems in the U.S. and Canada are backlogged with thousands upon thousands upon thousands of cases."

The British Columbia government announced in May that it will set up an online tribunal to help people solve small civil claims outside court. It's expected to be in place by 2013-14 and save money on travel time and court costs.

"Once online dispute resolution is started, ongoing participation would be mandatory until a voluntary or binding settlement was reached," the B.C. government has said about the service.

There's also mylegalbriefcase.com, which helps guide people through Ontario's small claims court system.

Associate Prof. Erik Knutsen of Queen's University said concerns have been raised in the legal community that individuals could either lose some of their rights or not be aware of their rights by having disputes resolved online.

But Knutsen said it's important to try to unclog the system and not have people wait a couple of years to get a resolution. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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Porking out: British farm group forecasts global bacon shortage

A British farming organization is predicting a worldwide shortage of bacon and pork next year.

The National Pig Association says global drought conditions are driving up the price of grain, a major staple in hog feed.

It says pig farmers around the world are selling their

herds because retail prices are not rising fast enough to cover the cost of record-high pig-feed costs.

In the United States, the government has introduced a pork-buying program in a bid to keep its pig farmers in business.

And the Chinese government is putting pork into cold storage, as a buffer against

shortages and high prices next year.

Low-based agricultural economist Steve Meyer says he expects to see record prices for pork next year.

He says high grain prices affect all meat suppliers, meaning beef, chicken and turkey supplies could also be affected.

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Israel Railways increases order

Bombardier Transportation has received a \$158-million US follow-on order from Israel Railways for 72 double-deck passenger coaches.

The order is part of a deal signed in 2010 when 150 coaches were ordered. The first of these improved

versions of trains already in operation entered service on Dec. 1, 2011.

Montreal-based Bombardier manufactures and tests the coaches at its Gorlitz plant in Germany before they are completed in Israel.

The additional trains add seats and improve comfort and safety, said Jean Berge, Bombardier's vice-president sales, mainline and metros.

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Job cuts loom

IBM Argentina to lay off 500: Union

A union for workers at IBM Argentina says the company has initiated a plan to lay off 500 workers in the next few months.

The company issued a statement saying only that "change is constant in the technology industry."

The union said IBM's campus of 9,000 workers in suburban Buenos Aires would be reduced by more than five per cent under a plan seeking to avoid losses for the subsidiary.

The Ecolatina consulting firm says Argentine labour costs have more than quintupled since 2002, including a 17 per cent hike in the last year.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nice deal

Big payday for Yahoo's new CFO

Yahoo's new chief financial officer is getting a big raise to join the struggling Internet company.

Ken Goldman, who will become Yahoo's CFO next month, is starting out with an annual salary of \$600,000 and could earn a bonus of

up to \$540,000. He is also getting restricted stock and stock options valued at \$12 million.

The pay package represents a significant bump from Goldman's current job as CFO of Fortinet Inc.

Fortinet paid Goldman an annual salary of \$327,818. Goldman, 63, also was eligible for a bonus of about \$200,000 at Fortinet.

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McDonald's testing its own TV content

Trial run. M Channel will have news, sports and entertainment for in-restaurant viewing

The question of the moment at 700 pioneering McDonald's restaurants: You want TV with that?

Not just any television, but the custom-made M Channel, formulated with the same attention to detail that made Big Macs and Chicken McNuggets cultural icons.

The channel's aim is to offer exclusive content to entertain customers. More ambitiously, it also intends to create promotional and sales opportunities for companies and others who want to dive into McDonald's vast customer pool.

Lee Edmondson, who has spent more than eight years developing the concept for McDonald's and years beforehand pondering it, said the fast-food chain is thinking



Patrons watch M Channel at a McDonald's in Norwalk, Calif., earlier this month. DAMIAN DOVARGANES/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

way outside the TV box.

"It is a vision that is more than television, more than the 'passive relationship' that viewers have with gas-station or supermarket TV feeds," said Edmondson, who comes from a venture-capital background.

The M channel is akin to a broadcast network with its own news, entertainment and sportscasts localized for cities and even neighbourhoods, he said. But there's more: It will supersize the experience by directing viewers online for shop-

ping or other opportunities.

M Channel's goal is to target different audiences at different times of day and be so area-specific that a restaurant could show high school football game highlights to local fans. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Violent protests. Clashes in Greece and Spain over new austerity measures

Europe's financial calm was shattered Wednesday as investors worried that violent anti-austerity protests in Greece and Spain showed that the region still cannot get a grip on its financial crisis and stabilize its common currency, the euro.

Police fired tear gas at rioters hurling gasoline bombs and chunks of marble Wednesday during Greece's largest anti-austerity demonstration in six months.

The brief but intense

clashes by a couple of hundred rioters participating in the demonstration of more than 60,000 people came a day after anti-austerity protests rocked the Spanish capital, Madrid.

Hundreds of Spanish anti-austerity protesters gathered again Wednesday, ending near parliament in Madrid amid a heavy presence of riot police. In Tuesday's protest, police arrested 38 people and 64 were injured.

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A (BLOODY) THUMB GOES UP, A CAR GOES BY ...



HE SAYS...
John Mazerolle
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After years of hitchhiking, my biggest tip is to never thumb with a bloody hand.

You might think that's stupid advice, perhaps suitable for some creature that doesn't

even have opposable thumbs (which is why dogs so rarely hitchhike).

But, trust me, it's important.

Recently, I've been hitchhiking Iceland, the country that leads the world in tourist spots that can actively kill you. (Typical sign: Welcome! Beware of steam explosions!)

I was on the one-lane "highway" heading from some death-by-ice attraction to some death-by-fire one, and several cars passed me. Not a big deal, but I decided to do my mental hitchhiking checklist.

Hitchin' a ride

I did have a first-aid kit with me, but I forgot the first rule of first aid: Remember that you have a first-aid kit with you.

- Standing where visible but too difficult to hit for points? Good.

- Eyes conveying "Don't hate me, I'm not American"? Check.

- Looking outdoorsy but not serial-killery? Whoops.

This is when I noticed my hand. A hangnail — throbbing from cold weather and gushing from a blood disorder I have — meant my right hand had gone all Carrie White. I looked like maybe I had pulled a Temple of Doom on one of the sheep wandering the roadside.

I did have a first-aid kit with me, but I forgot the first rule of first aid: Remember that you have a first-aid kit with you.

Instead, I followed my memory from Boy Scouts and put a wet, woolen glove over top of it, which is probably what they would recommend. I'm not sure because I quit during Beavers.

After performing the medical equivalent of putting duct tape over the "Service Engine" light, somebody eventually stopped. I don't think the driver was unnerved when he heard "Don't be alarmed but there's a lot of blood on my hand." The nervous giggle afterward may have given him pause, though.

Thankfully, it all worked out. It always does.

People talk about how dangerous hitchhiking is, and the travel book I brought — the office of whose publisher is clearly ringed by rabid lawyers — goes so far as to say hitchhiking is "not rewarding." Of course hitchhiking has its dangers, but it seems a paranoid stance in a place where you're encouraged to swim in fault lines and volcanoes.

Hitching is one of the best ways to meet locals. It's cheap, and it's like love: When you find what you were looking for, you forget instantly about the long wait that came before.

Maybe the best thing about hitchhiking is that it's much easier than it seems. It's rare that something so easy to do elicits such instant wonder in people who never thought to try it.

But the secret's out now, I suppose, so if you've never considered it before feel free to sully your virgin thumb. Get a written sign if you like, stand in a straightaway where drivers have enough time to decide to stop, and wear bright colours for safety's sake. I find a nice blood red really catches the eye.



Rule of thumb: Conceal the blood. iStock

Who's at the wheel?



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Google auto

Driverless car gets green light

A driverless car is seen at Google headquarters in Mountain View, Calif. Google has been developing autonomous car technology and lobbying for the regulations for years.

The company says autonomous cars can make roads safer, free commuters from the drudgery of driving and reduce congestion.

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Google's fleet of a dozen computer-controlled vehicles — mostly Toyota Priuses equipped with self-driving technology — has logged more than 483,000 kilometres of self-driving without an accident, the company said.

Signed, sealed, driven

Legislation paves way for technology

Gov. Jerry Brown signed legislation earlier this week that will pave the way for driverless cars in California.

The legislation requires the California Department of Motor Vehicles to draft regulations for autonomous vehicles by Jan. 1, 2015. Currently, state law doesn't mention self-driving cars because the technology is so new.

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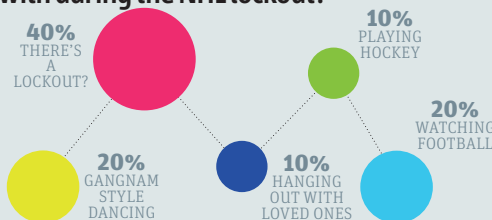
Drivers wanted

- Autonomous cars use computers, sensors and other technology to operate independently, but a "driver" can override the autopilot function any time.
- The regulations would allow vehicles to operate autonomously, but a licensed driver would still need to sit behind the wheel to serve as a backup operator.



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Someone is listening to Whitney Houston's "I Will Always Love You" very loudly on my train. Good morning! #yyc

@lilyjoy79:

Just hit on by a guy in downtown #yyc ... Nice to know I "look good" in my lazy day jeans and mans hoodie!

Hot Nuts and Popcorn reunited at Loose Moose

'Beer-fuelled fun.'

A dozen years after ending its run, night of music comedy and local celeb interviews is back



BACKSTAGE PASS
Lisa Wilton
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It's been a few years since Eric Amber and Derek Flores regularly hosted the popular live late-night talk show Hot Nuts and Popcorn at Loose Moose Theatre.

"When we last did it, the Internet wasn't even invented," quips Amber during an interview at a Kensington greasy spoon.

Twelve years after ending its run, Amber and co-host Derek Flores have reunited for the third annual Loose Moose Theatre Company Homecoming.

During its 1999 heyday, the show attracted hundreds of fans to the Garry Theatre in Inglewood (now home to the Ironwood Stage) thanks to its blend of live music, comedy and interviews with local celebrities such as Bret 'The Hitman' Hart, Jann Arden, the late Ed Whalen and former Kids in the Hall stars Mark McKinney and Bruce McCulloch.

"Hot Nuts is a great memory and that's why we're doing it again," says Amber, who is also staging his autobiographical one-man show, Razzle Dazzle, at Loose Moose Theatre on Sept. 29.

Flores admits although he is excited about doing the show again, he wonders if Hot Nuts and Popcorn will appeal to younger audiences. "I did a show the other night and men-

Details

- Hot Nuts and Popcorn runs Sept. 28 and Oct. 5 at 11 p.m. at the Loose Moose Theatre, located on the second floor of the Crossroads Market.
- Guests for the first show are Ryan Belleville and FUBAR 2's Terra Hazelton, plus two very special secret stars. The second show features Levi MacDougall, Brett 'The Hitman' Hart and more.
- Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased at the door or at loosemoose.com

tioned all the great guests we had on Hot Nuts and Popcorn like Ed Whalen and Bucksbot," he says. "And the audience was completely silent. I was like, 'Are we still relevant?' But then as we get closer to doing it, I love it. It's fun."

Since the end of Hot Nuts and Popcorn, Amber opened a theatre in Montreal and Flores has carved out a niche for himself in New Zealand's improv scene. Dave Lawrence, who plays Hot Nuts' spaced-out stage technician, Terry, found cult fame with the character in the hilarious 2002 mock-documentary, FUBAR. "People love Terry because bangers transcend all of Canada," says Lawrence. "Even the entire world. Bangers are everywhere. It's beer-fuelled fun and everyone else can relate to that."

Correction

Last week's photo improperly identified Kevin McDonald as Mark McKinney.



Eric Amber, Derek Flores and Dave Lawrence are bringing back the popular Loose Moose late-night talk show Hot Nuts and Popcorn for two nights in celebration of the improv company's Homecoming festival. LISA WILTON/FOR METRO

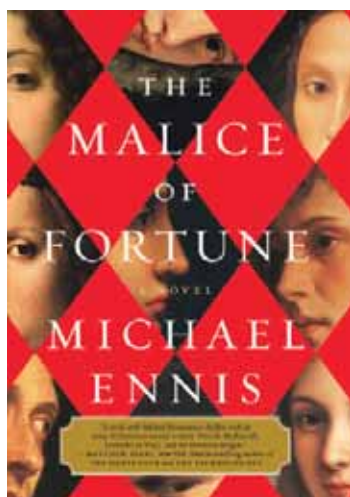
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Gardot doesn't think absence is a lonely idea and with her travel schedule it's a good rule to live by. GETTY IMAGES

Songstress takes travel and touring to a musical level

The Absence. Melody Gardot's new album is a testament to her lifestyle — being on the go and keeping it simple

LINDA LABAN
Metro New York

Melody Gardot doesn't live out of a suitcase. She lives out of three. Not just when she's travelling — which is much of the time — but all the time. That's all her stuff.

It's not about minimalism; it's about space for life rather than space for stuff, a theme that's at the root of her latest record, *The Absence*.

"There's a notion that absence is lonely, but it doesn't have to be," says Gardot. "I've spent so much time in Portugal in recent years; I'm always coming and going so

often that someone told me that it's like I never leave. I'm never really absent. My memory is there."

It's a nothing-is-empty theory that the 27-year-old jazz singer and songwriter thinks holds true in music. "Sometimes when you don't fill up by playing every note, the music is more beautiful and often has more value."

Gardot says that for now she has every material thing she needs.

"I am a practicalist," says the singer, who grew up in Philadelphia. "I have one jacket for the cold, one for the rain, shoes that are closed, shoes that are open. My essentials are a bit more than they would be on a desert island. But that's because I have to get ready for shows."

Another bonus to not having a home is not having household chores.

"I definitely don't like to clean the house. The good

thing about living in a hotel is that you go out and come back later and someone's cleaned your room."

Wholesome notes

Finding therapy in the kitchen.

- **Home sweet home.** One thing Gardot misses about not having a home is cooking. She says that eating a macrobiotic, organic diet helped her body heal after an accident in 2003 — she was hit by a car whose driver shot through a red light — left her with brain and spinal injuries. "When I come off the road, the first thing I look for is a place to go where I can cook. I love to cook. It's the most therapeutic way to recover."

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Five facts on J.K. Rowling's new book

The Casual Vacancy. British author's first foray into adult fiction is expected to top the best-sellers list, despite her uncertainty



NED EHRBAR
Metro World News in Hollywood

Today marks the release of J.K. Rowling's *The Casual Vacancy*, her first book since the mega success of the Harry Potter franchise and her first foray into adult fiction. But details on the novel have been maddeningly hard to come by. Here's what we do know:

1. The plot is sprawling — and centres around death and politics

From what little information about the actual content of *The Casual Vacancy* that has been released, we know the story kicks off with the death of one Barry Fairbrother, a town council member in a seemingly perfect English village that's actually brimming with resentment and discord. The resulting election drama deals in class warfare, prostitution, heroin addiction and scandal — very un-Potter-like themes.

2. Hardly anyone has read it.

As interviewer Decca Aitkenhead notes in her profile of Rowling for the *Guardian*, even the novel's publishers hadn't been allowed to read it at the time of her interview — and

Aitkenhead had to sign a raft of nondisclosure forms just to get her hands on it.

3. She's not worried about bad reviews.

"I just needed to write this book. I like it a lot, I'm proud of it, and that counts for me,"

Quoted

"...If everyone says, 'Well, that's shockingly bad — back to wizards with you,' then obviously I won't be throwing a party. But I will live."

J.K. Rowling

Rowling tells the *Guardian*. But still: "The worst that can happen is that everyone says, 'Well, that was dreadful, she should have stuck to writing for kids,' and I can take that. SO, yeah. I'll put it out there, and if everyone says, 'Well, that's shockingly bad — back to wizards with you,' then obviously I won't be throwing a party. But I will live."

4. She doesn't look back on her teen years fondly.

Despite making a fantastical adolescence, Rowling didn't quite enjoy her youth — spent in an area very much like the fictitious town featured in *The Casual Vacancy*. In fact, she based the troubled teens featured in the novel on her own experiences and friends. "This



J.K. Rowling ventures into adult themes like warfare, prostitution, heroin addiction and scandal in her new book. DEBRA HURFORD BROWN.



was very much me vividly remembering what it was like to be a teenager, and it wasn't a particularly happy time in my life," she tells the *Guardian*. "In fact, you couldn't give me anything to make me go back to being a teenager. Never. No, I hated it."

5. Shockingly, it's expected to sell well.

Before its release, *The Casual Vacancy* spent more than 80 days in the top 100 of Amazon.com's sales ranks, hovering near the top as this week drew closer, and the book has already received more than 1 million pre-orders in the U.K. British bookseller Waterstones expects *The Casual Vacancy* to be "the best-selling fiction title this year."

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Don't hate him for being the Bachelor

Survey says

A new survey from Match.com, an online dating site, reveals that, unlike the 25 lucky ladies who will be battling for the heart of the Bachelor Canada, less than one in 10 Canadian women would go on a reality series to find love. In fact, most single Canucks (45 per cent) believe a first date on national television would be the most intimidating type of romantic rendezvous. Match.com dove into their vault of Canadian data to determine which contestant is most likely to win Brad's heart — at least according to statistics.

- **Blondes rule.** Single Canadian chaps (41 per cent) prefer flaxen-haired females over brunettes and redheads, and 46 per cent of men prefer women who have "medium" length hair. Lucky for the brown-haired Bachelor, the opposite is true of Canadian women. The majority of single ladies (54 per cent) swoon over brown-haired men.
- **No jock love.** The football-playing Bachelor might not be so fortunate in the job department. Only seven per cent of single Canadian women think being an athlete is an attractive profession. Those contestants that are in the medical field or are self-employed may have a leg up; these are the two sexiest professions, according to single Canadian men.
- **Singles still believe.** An overwhelming 76 per cent of Canadian singles believe in soul mates.



And in America...



The next U.S. Bachelor is Sean Lowe, a former Kansas State linebacker. HANDOUT

ABC says the next star of The Bachelor will be Sean Lowe, who was dumped on The Bachelorette. The network says the 28-year-old Dallas businessman will be the one doing the choosing when The Bachelor returns for its 17th edition. On the eighth edition of The Bachelorette, Lowe confessed his love for Emily Maynard but was eliminated just before the finale. ABC says Lowe is ready to look for love again. The 6-foot-3 Texan was a linebacker for Kansas State and worked in finance and insurance before starting a custom furniture business. The Bachelor returns in January.



Looking for love.

Former CFL player Brad Smith just wants to find the right woman — with whom he can build a life

PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS
Metro Vancouver

Brad Smith doesn't care if you hate on him for choosing to search for love in a different way.

The former CFL wide receiver-turned-first Bachelor Canada just wants to find someone to start his life with.

"When you go in and see 25 girls, you're not looking to love all 25," Smith said Wednesday.

"You're just looking for that one who's going to be with you until the end and that's all that matters."

"You just have to be in the best situation to know yourself and what works for you so you can find that person," he added.

"If she's not there, then don't pick anybody."

The show hasn't even started yet, but the 28-year-old already has his fair share of haters and critics.

"I don't care (about) being made fun of or chirped," he said.

"I understand that comes with the ground. People are just naturally not going to like the fact that you've chosen to do this because they don't believe in it."

But he adds that there are twice as many who are totally behind him in his quest for love on a reality TV

Quoted

"When you go in and see 25 girls, you're not looking to love all 25. You're just looking for that one who's going to be with you until the end and that's all that matters."

Canada's Bachelor Brad Smith, former CFL wide receiver for the Edmonton Eskimos

show, including his family (his dad is former CFL commissioner and senator Larry Smith) and his CFL buddies.

"I've got almost half of the Edmonton Eskimos team that are going to go my buddy's house to watch it every Wednesday night just because they're so excited," he said.

"They can make fun all they want, but they'll be there to support you. That's what boys are for."

The show won't be without the usual hot tub moments and kissing sessions, and Smith admits it'll be an "intensely awkward situation" for his parents to watch.

"But they understand that it's part of the process and they're cool with it," he said.

Details

- **The Bachelor Canada.** Premieres Wednesday, Oct. 3 at 9 p.m. EST/PT on Citytv. (Following the premiere, the series moves to its regular time slot Wednesdays at 9:30 p.m. EST/PST, beginning October 10.

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Harmonic convergence at Crossroads

Country music meets folk-rock resurgence.

Emmylou Harris, Mumford & Sons make sweet music on popular TV show

Emmylou Harris loves Mumford & Sons for a special reason.

"They're making the banjo respectable, which is not an easy feat, and I'm so glad it's finally happening," Harris joked.

Harris, an iconic singer and member of the Country Music Hall of Fame, and Mumford & Sons, platinum-selling lads from London who have sparked a folk-rock resurgence, are joining together to explore their shared love of high harmony, sad songs and, yes, the oft-belittled banjo on an episode of CMT Crossroads on Thursday night.

The Nashville-based Harris had only briefly met lead singer Marcus Mumford before agreeing to do the show based on the waves they created in the music world. They co-ordinated song choices by phone and got together to re-

Old sounds, new fans

Like the band, fans have discovered something new in those old sounds

- **Tour.** Mumford & Sons routinely drew 10,000 and more fans on their Gentleman of the Road tour across the U.S. this summer, almost all of them dancing along to Marshall's banjo.
- **Quote.** "Folk music has always been there, but it's wonderful to see the infusion of freshness and energy, but still having that passion," Harris said. "Not just mimicking what went before, but infusing it."

hearse for a little more than a day before recording the show earlier this month.

It was a crash course in catalogue consumption and the chance to get to know each other.

"They're great harmony (singers) and they've got this great driving groove with a minimalist instrumentation," Harris said. "But they just

sound good and the songs have beautiful melodies and I love harmonizing on them."

She said it proves her theory that music is going to keep reinventing itself in good ways.

"You don't have to repeat the past. We learn from the past, but we have to come forward with something different and there are just so many different combinations to make good music that touches people," she said.

Harris, 65, was among the gateway artists who helped Mumford and bandmates Ben Lovett, Ted Dwane and Winston Marshall discover their love for American roots music. It started with the O Brother, Where Art Thou? soundtrack. Harris appeared with Gillian Welch and Alison Krauss on the memorable song Didn't Leave Nobody but the Baby. That eventually led them to the Old Crow Medicine Show and then deep immersion in old-timey sounds from America's long-neglected past. They ran across Harris' imprint many times along the way, and with the help of dobro master Jerry Douglas, they help explore that legacy on the show.

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CMT Crossroads stars Mumford & Sons, Country Winston Marshall, Ben Lovett, Marcus Mumford and Ted Dwane with Emmylou Harris. RICK DIAMOND/GETTY IMAGES

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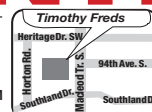
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Andre Braugher returns to TV on the Last Resort. HANDOUT

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- **New series.** The Last Resort premieres tonight on Global TV.
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a show can hardly be considered a hit before it has even aired, the early reviews of it have been strong. But Braugher and the cast are resisting celebrating before they see the ratings.

Homicide star returning to television with Last Resort

Military thriller. A rogue submarine captain finds himself on the run from the U.S. army after a major missile incident

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

Veteran actor Andre Braugher returns to TV with Last Resort, an intriguing military thriller about a submarine captain who questions an order to launch nuclear missiles at Pakistan — only to have his sub fired upon by his own country. Braugher's Capt. Chaplin and crew seek refuge on an island in French Polynesia, making a stand against the country they used to fight for.

Toward the end of the first episode, Scott Speedman's character compliments your character for delivering a message with "just the right amount of crazy." What is the right amount of crazy?

You know, I don't think he's crazy, but he's in grief, and grieving people do crazy things. He's lost a wife, we learn that he's lost a son. He's lost everything he thought he was because he wasn't willing to kill potentially innocent people. And now he's a traitor. And he's grieving and he's betrayed. Part of it is a game and part of it is true. Part of it is a mask and part of it is truth, you know? So I don't know. I don't know from moment to moment exactly how crazy he is. I know that there's a wily trickster aspect to Chaplin. It's like a Jenga game. He's the kind of guy who knows which blocks to pull in order to either maintain or collapse. Crazy? Maybe, I don't know.

What made you want to come onboard with this show and play this character? He's a complicated man who wants to do things in the right way — and not because he's persnickety but because there are lives at stake. One of things that's most important to the show-runners as well as to me is that these are not

some closet peaceniks who decided, 'Well, now that we have a shoot order, we're going to disobey it.' If this order had come through the right way, they would've launched the missiles without delay. I was intrigued by his desire to do things right and to be judged credibly by history rather than be the guy who killed a million people because he didn't have enough balls to ask the right questions.

The premise puts your character in a pretty high-pressure, precarious situation. How will the show sustain itself for an entire season like that?

Well, there's the enemy without and the enemy within. I don't know from which episode to which episode it will be. Our human nature is going to exert itself, and how we're going to reorganize ourselves — I don't know who's going to live and who's going to die. Sam (played by Speedman) and I are eventually going to be at odds because we're thinking

differently about the world. It's difficult to live with a man who has nothing to lose because the potential for him giving shocking orders rises because there's nobody on the other end.

Have you given any thought to putting down roots in Hawaii, where the show shoots?

We're definitely not putting down roots. I mean, I've got one boy in high school and one boy in grade school, and so my wife is holding down the fort in New Jersey. And until this is definitively a smash hit, nobody's moving. That's just the way it is. Ideally, this is going to be an eight-month gig this year in doing the 22 episodes, but as it stands right now it's basically just one 5,000-mile commute.

So now it's the week of the show's premiere. What's this week like for you?

I'm hoping for an enthusiastic response, but like any nervous parent, I'm waiting for the event.



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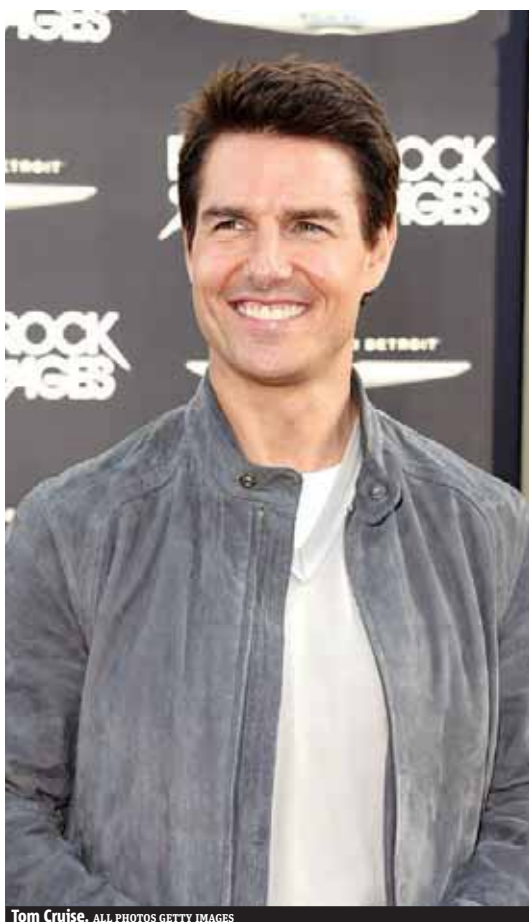
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Tom Cruise struggling with divorce

Tom Cruise is reportedly struggling with the stress of a busy work schedule that's keeping him in London and his daughter, Suri, living with soon-to-be ex-wife Katie Holmes in New York.

"I've got to see her," an emotional Cruise reportedly told a friend recently, according to People magazine. "I miss her."

Cruise last spent time with his 6-year-old daughter on August 5, and a mid-September trip to London for the girl was reportedly called off.

Still, despite the struggle

Quote

"I've got to see her. I miss her."

Tom Cruise
Talking about his daughter.

for face-time, the actor is still keeping his daughter as a priority.

"I can tell you that I haven't had a meeting with Tom that was not interrupted by a phone call with his daughter," his friend, screenwriter Christopher McQuarrie said.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word



Reality television plots not real; sky still blue



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The new issue of Us Weekly has a very entertaining cover story on how Bachelorette stars Emily Maynard and Jef Holm are faking their engagement.

I know, I know, it's hard to believe that two fame junkies pretended to be together on a rigged reality TV show to gain attention, but stay with me here.

Apparently, Holm's former girlfriend and current hook-up buddy (whom he was dating when he went on The Bachelorette) went

into tell-all mode to Us Weekly.

The ex, Kaylee Shepherd, says that Holm revealed to her that he and Maynard are faking it. In August, a texting scandal hit — Maynard was caught sexting with another man, which Us Weekly, the Woodward and Bernstein of tabloids, uncovered.

Maynard, desperate to preserve her good girl image, hatched a plan to pay off Holm with half of her Bachelorette money.

"Jef said their relationship isn't what it seems. It's all basically for TV," Shepherd tells Us.

It's all basically for TV?

You don't say. Next thing you know, you'll be telling me some actors and actresses get plastic surgery and take too many prescription drugs in order to fill the dark void that being famous created. Stop ruining my happy place, Us Weekly.



Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart

Pattinson moving back in with Stewart

It looks like the reconciliation between Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson is complete, as Pattinson has reportedly moved back into the Los Angeles home they share, according to Us Weekly.

"They are living together and have reconciled," a

source says, explaining that the pair recently "had a dramatic make-up."

But their relationship may still be on shaky ground in the wake of Stewart's cheating scandal, as the source says Pattinson "is extra-sensitive now. He's insecure."

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I met a very cute lizard today that needs a name. Suggestions?



@chelseahandler

I'm done with juice cleanses. I'm ditching gluten and dairy because apparently, I'm allergic to all things that give pleasure



@SethMacFarlane

Hey 30-year-old skating to work on a longboard: the world is sadder than you seem to realize. We had a 9/11 and everything.



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Drawing inspiration from Art Nouveau, vintage cinema, the streets of Sicily and the '60s, designers who debuted their wears at Milan Fashion Week made us pine for a sparkling spring to come

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Roberto Cavalli

Roberto Cavalli's strong references to swirly Art Nouveau prints could be read as a homage to female beauty. The impressive all-white opening — which included a short sleeve crocodile jacket, embroidered lace tunic, draped fringe pants, a crisply tailored jacket and trousers — was the perfect primer for the decadently intricate collection that followed. The silhouettes were sophisticated, clean, elongated, flowy and, as is customary with Cavalli, tastefully racy.

Moschino

For SS13, Moschino's Rossella Jardini drew inspiration from a patchwork of two films, namely *Casino* and *Two for the Road*. The result: everything went minimal from geometric lines to strong graphic elements. For colour, the brand references its iconic black-and-white combo and for brights pays homage to the colourful textiles of Ken Scott, a textile designer who lived in Italy for many years. There was a nod to the '60s too, with dress coats, cutout dresses, cropped trouser suits, trompe l'oeil shirt dresses, and bold stripes.



Dolce & Gabbana

Have you ever been to Taormina in Sicily? No? Well, let Dolce & Gabbana take you there with their fun and colourful Spring 2013 collection. The duo took the audience from the Sicilian street theaters: wheelbarrows, elaborate wheels and Caltagirone ceramic heads to sun-drenched beaches with trendy beach umbrella and sunbed-style stripe pieces arriving in organza, rough, printed cotton, gold brocade and even Sicilian basket-esque raffia skirts and bustiers.



Versace

Donatella Versace showed a collection of strong tailoring and lingerie dressing in a colour palette of black, orange, blue, turquoise and nude. Classic menswear-inspired blazers were softened to a relaxed fit and adorned with lace inserts and cutouts. Slip dresses in crushed silk or tie-dye came slashed and held together with crisscross lacing, which also appeared on ultra-cool skinny trousers. For evening, sweeping chiffon gowns embellished with silver and gold fringing will surely sizzle on the red carpets.



Giorgio Armani

Luminous and optimistic: the opening silk pearl-grey looks, all shown with trousers (wide and straight leg), arrived as a cloud's metaphorical silver lining. White shorts styled with soft-fitted jackets are unexpected but are nevertheless a special touch to this dressy collection. However, it was the evening wear that was gushingly beautiful with sparkly sequin beaded palazzo pants, shifts, jumpsuits, long-skirts, suits and dresses, to name but a few.

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The studio of Linda Blinn, editor of Studios magazine, is multi-functional. Blinn uses the shorter table while sitting, and the taller table when she needs to stand to do her mixed-media artwork. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/INTERWEAVE/KARI BLINN



The studio of Mary Heebner, based in an old industrial building, is ideal to start larger works that she can begin on the floor, and then pin them to a nearby wall. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/MACDUFF EVERTON

Tips for making an artist's space both functional and inspirational

Work area. No matter how small or large, the place in which an artist creates will have personal touches

An artist's workspace is as personal as the artwork.

Talk to different artists, and you'll get a variety of individual requirements for the spaces in which they create: Some need a lot of space, others very little. Some need quiet, others crank the music to deafening levels. There are those who want every piece of equipment in its place, and

others who scatter their materials all over.

The common denominator? Each finds that personal blend of the functional and the inspirational.

"Once people define a designated space to do their art, it's a very important step on their journey as an artist," says Linda Blinn, editor of the quarterly magazine Studios. "It says, 'I think of myself as an artist.'"

Some artists carve creative space out of closets, armoires, laundry rooms and mudrooms, says Blinn, while others hire designers to create elaborate studios.

"You have to decide what

you're going to do there and what you love," says Jo Packham, editor of Where Women Create, a quarterly magazine in which women write about their own creative spaces.

"I love containers. I love little bottles, and everything has to be very organized," Packham says about her own Ogden, Utah, studio.

Packham thinks a good table and chair are essential.

"It wears on you to sit a long time," she explains.

The fun part in planning an art studio is instilling personality and inspiration, which can show up in how things are organized. "Some people can't look at disorder. Everything has to be behind closed doors," says Blinn. "Other people need to see everything they've got, so it has to be out."

Packham likes to see her supplies, storing them in see-through boxes, and glass jars and bottles.

"If it's in a box, for me, it's gone," she says. Lee Meredith, a knit designer, stores yarns, threads and fabric openly in cubbyholes and hanging shoe organizers. Her supplies are accessible, but they also provide colorful inspiration in the small studio in her Portland, Ore., home.

"I love colours and I love to be able to see all my

yarn," says Meredith. "I love to see what will inspire me that day."

Meredith's yarn cubbies are made from Trader Joe's coffee cans covered in contact paper, glued together in two rows, then attached to the wall above her work station.

It's her most popular storage craft, she says, at her craft blog, Leethal.

"It's functional as an organizational tool, but it's really wall art," says Meredith. "It really stands out."

Mary Heebner, a Santa Barbara, Calif., mixed-media painter, prefers a soothing studio space. The walls are white, the better for show-

casing her art. She works in quiet, enjoys breaks in nature, and needs a lot of floor and wall space. She'll start with a piece on the floor, then pin it to a nearby wall.

"I let the paint drizzle, use powdered pigments, mix paint directly on the surface of the paper," says Heebner. "Then something starts to coalesce."

Her favourite piece of furniture keeps her organized: a table configured from four filing cabinets — the kind that store maps — with a combined 40 narrow drawers that are stacked in two columns and topped with galvanized metal.

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Make your basement inviting

Untapped treasures.

Subterranean spaces often get ignored in decor — jazz them up!

It's easy to find advice on decorating nearly every inch of your home.

Kitchens, living rooms, bedrooms, baths — even mudrooms and closets get attention. But the lowly basement gets short shrift.

These spaces present a host of decorating challenges, from low ceilings and limited natural light to never-ending battles with dampness and even flooding.

Kathryn Bechen, author of the new *Small Space Organizing* (Revell Books), first tackled basement decorating while living in a tiny basement apartment. Years later, she preaches the same decorating techniques that helped make her underground rental into a cosy home: Decide exactly how you'll use your basement, and then either embrace its dark coziness or use colour, texture and the right furnishings to bring the illusion of bright, open space.

She and interior designers Brian Patrick Flynn, founder of *decordemon.com*, and Kyle Schuneman, an expert on decorating small spaces, offer advice on making basements beautiful.

Lighten up or embrace the dark

"Since there's usually a major lack of natural light in basements," Flynn says, "inject light by using muted colour and tons of white. What I often do is stick with muted greys on the walls, then use ultra-white on ceilings to help bounce light throughout the space. But to make it more punchy, I toss in a super-saturated accent colour such as fire-engine red, grassy green or orange."

Using plenty of floor and table lamps will also help, and Bechen says the old advice about mirrors shouldn't be ignored: Strategically placing a mirror opposite even a tiny basement window will help maximize light.

Go bold

All three designers believe basements are perfect spots for bold



Inject light in a basement with plenty of muted greys and white colours.
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decorating. Experiment with colours you don't normally use or indulge in theme decorating that might feel like overkill if you did it throughout your house.

Basements are perfect "for having a retro moment," Schuneman says, since many of them feature vintage wood paneling and decorative touches that have been in place for decades. You're not creating a stage set, he says. But if there are vintage pieces already in your basement, why not amplify that look rather than removing it?

Change the ceiling

"Many basements have drop-down ceilings, which are definitely practical since it makes for easy access to plumbing and electrical," Flynn says. But inexpensive drop-down tiles are often unattractive and look cheap. "I usually recommend high-end ceiling tiles with architectural detail. They're double or triple the price of

basic drop ceiling tiles, but they give a much more sophisticated look. Plus, you can install them yourself."

Warm up the floor

First, choose materials that can handle moisture.

Even basements that don't normally flood can still have a buildup of moisture. Schuneman recommends laminate flooring or vinyl floor tiles for durability and for style: Thanks to improved technology, he says, "there's some really rad stuff out there."

Bechen recommends cork flooring, which is durable, warm and soft underfoot. And Flynn recommends FLOR carpet tiles. "You can install them yourself," he says, "plus they can come up if the floor gets wet, then you can take them outside and dry them in the sun."

Organic elements

"Basements don't have to be all concrete and plastic," Flynn says. "I like to incorporate organic elements wherever possible, such as sisal on a stairwell. The rough texture is great for traction, and it creates more of an inviting, residential feeling upon entry to a basement."

Along with using organic materials, Bechen suggests bringing in plants.

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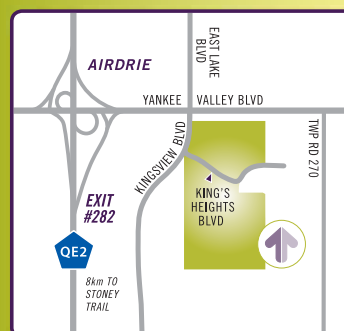
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Let's welcome fall this week without the pressures of spending lavish amounts of money on decorating.

I'm not quite ready for the cold weather so we'll add a few affordable touches of warmth around the house to help take the fall chill off.

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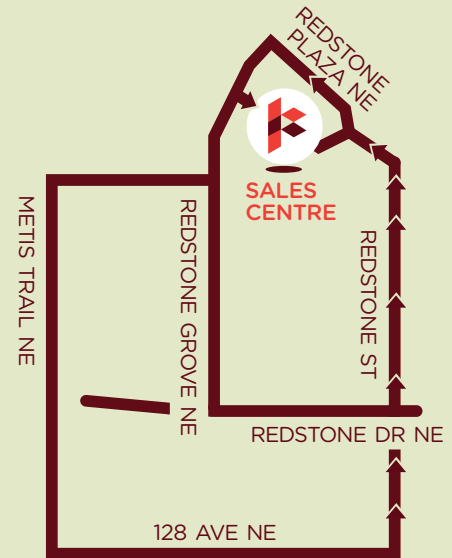
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1. In large bowl, whisk flour with cornmeal; using pastry blender or 2 knives, cut in butter until crumbly.

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5. Let cool on pans on racks for 3 minutes. Transfer cookies to racks; let cool. (Make-ahead: Layer between waxed paper in airtight container and store for up to 4 days or

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METRO

McIlroy focused on fitting in with the team

Golf. 'This week, I'm not the No. 1 player in the world,' young star says ahead of Ryder Cup

Rory McIlroy has gone from being a rookie in the Ryder Cup to a marked man at Medinah.

McIlroy is the first European in nearly 20 years to go into the Ryder Cup as the No. 1 player in the world, although the star power of this 23-year-old from Northern Ireland is about more than a ranking. He's already won two majors, with a record score in the U.S. Open last year and a record margin at the PGA Championship last month.

His four wins this year are the most in the world, all against the strongest fields.

So it was no surprise when Jim Furyk referred to Boy Wonder as the "present-day Tiger Woods" and a "marked man" at this Ryder Cup. That's the role Woods played for years in these matches when he dominated golf. There was a feeling among Europeans that beating Woods was worth more than one point because of the emotional lift it gave the rest of the team.

McIlroy doesn't see it that way. "This week I'm not the No. 1 player in the world," he said Wednesday. "I'm one person in a 12-man team, and that's it. It's a team effort. There's 12 guys all striving toward the same goal. I'm just part of that."

Field of dreams

Both teams look strong with all 24 players among the top 35 in the world.

- The Americans are loaded with experience behind Tiger Woods, Jim Furyk and Phil Mickelson.
- Europe has only one Ryder Cup rookie, Nicolas Colsaerts, and has captured the cup six of the last eight times.

But even in this team competition, it's easy to get wrapped up in a single star.

There's only one way to keep score in the Ryder Cup, though it's tempting to make individuals accountable. Even when Woods was at his best, he still could only deliver a maximum of five points if he played every match. He never came close, and didn't produce a winning record until his fifth Ryder Cup.

"I don't have a number. I don't have a total," McIlroy said. "I think with the U.S. playing here at home, I think they are the favourites. It's a very strong team. So we know we have got to go out there and play very, very well to have a chance. So if I play on Friday morning, I just want to get my point and then take it from there." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Rory McIlroy drives during the third preview day of the 39th Ryder Cup at Medinah Country Club, just outside of Chicago, on Wednesday. JAMIE SQUIRE/GETTY IMAGES

Quoted



"There's something about Ryder Cup which kind of intrigues me, how you can be great mates with somebody, but boy, do you want to kill them in Ryder Cup."

Englishman Ian Poulter on the intensity of international competition

MLB. Orioles crush Jays to keep pace with Yanks

Chris Davis and Manny Machado each connected twice, and the Baltimore Orioles tied a team record with seven home runs, routing Toronto 12-2 Wednesday night and staying within 1 1/2 games of the AL East lead.

The Orioles ended a two-game skid against the Jays to remain close to the division-leading New York Yankees, who won 8-2 in Minnesota.

Nate McLouth hit a leadoff shot in the first inning and Jim Thome and Mark Reynolds also homered. Baltimore has hit seven home runs three times, most recently on Aug. 26, 1985.

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Jays centre fielder Colby Rasmus reaches in vain for Nate McLouth's first-inning homer on Wednesday in Baltimore. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Figure skating

Former Canadian champ Phaneuf calls it a career

Two-time Canadian figure skating champion Cynthia Phaneuf is stepping away from the ice.

The 24-year-old from Sorel-Tracy, Que., announced her retirement on Wednesday, which came after a roller-coaster 2011-12 season nagged by lingering back pain and a coaching change.

Phaneuf, the Canadian champion in 2004 and 2011, was diagnosed with a stress fracture in her back over the summer.

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NFL. League and referees reach a tentative deal

The NFL and the referees' union reached a tentative contract agreement at midnight Thursday, ending an impasse that began in June when the league locked out the officials and used replacements instead.

"Our officials will be back on the field starting tomorrow night" for the Cleveland-Baltimore game, commissioner Roger Goodell said. "We appreciate the commitment of the NFLRA in working through the issues to reach this important agreement."

With Goodell at the table, the sides concluded two days of talks with the announcement of a tentative eight-year

deal, which must be ratified by 51 per cent of the union's 121 members. They plan to vote Friday.

"Our board of directors has unanimously approved taking this proposed CBA to the membership for a ratification vote," said Scott Green, president of the NFLRA. "We are glad to be getting back on the field for this week's games."

The replacements worked the first three weeks of games. After a missed call cost the Green Bay Packers a win on a chaotic final play at Seattle on Monday night, the two sides really got serious.

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Mobile sports



Qriket

Washington's Robert Griffin III is so good it hurts. The Redskins rookie quarterback has been taking a beating because he's so good at pretending that he still has the ball after he's handed it off.

4 SPORTS

Yakupov's hockey future up in the air



The Oilers' 2012 No. 1 draft pick, Nail Yakupov, might have to return to the Sarnia Sting this winter if he wants to play during the NHL lockout.

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Suspended. NHL's No. 1 overall draft pick opted for illegal transfer to Russian club instead of returning to OHL's Sarnia Sting

Nail Yakupov could be forced to return to the Ontario Hockey League if he wants to continue playing during the NHL lockout.

The flashy forward was suspended by the Russian-based KHL on Wednesday after it was revealed he didn't secure a transfer card to join Neftekhimik Nizhnekamsk. The International Ice Hockey Federation ruled he played illegally when he suited up for his hometown team in two games earlier this month, casting doubt over the immediate future of the NHL's most recent No. 1 pick.

At issue is who controls

his playing rights.

Hockey Canada, which refused to sign off on Yakupov's transfer, and the Canadian Hockey League both believe he belongs with the Sarnia Sting. That issue was raised to the IIHF this week during its general congress in Tokyo, according to CHL president David Branch.

Yakupov spent the last two seasons with the Sting and made a commitment for a third — provided he wasn't in the NHL — according to another source close to the situation.

Clearly, the player and his representatives don't agree.

Rather than reporting to Sarnia when the Edmonton Oilers assigned his rights to the junior club on Sept. 15, Yakupov boarded a plane for Russia. That came as little surprise since he had told reporters at the end of August the only reason he'd go to Sarnia this year was "just for a visit."

Sarnia snub?

"Some of us were a little surprised when Yakupov appeared in a couple of KHL games."

CHL president David Branch reacts to the news that the NHL's top draft pick was playing in Russia's KHL instead of with the Ontario Hockey League's Sarnia Sting

On Wednesday afternoon, Yakupov posted a message to his Twitter account in Russian that said he believes he'll be able to continue playing for his hometown team in the KHL and that "everything will be worked out in the near future."

Multiple phone calls by The Canadian Press to Yakupov's agent, Igor Larionov, and Sting general manager Jacques Beaulieu weren't immediately returned.

It appears the IIHF will ultimately end up having to make a ruling in the case.

On Tuesday, the sport's governing body levied a fine of \$5,200 against the Russian hockey federation as punishment for allowing Yakupov to play in the KHL without proper documentation. It also warned of stiffer penalties for both the player and federation if it happened again.

The Russian federation has until Oct. 1 to form a response on the matter.

Yakupov's case is unique because the 18-year-old Russian was drafted as a North American-based player. He signed an entry-level deal with the Oilers over the summer and those contracts include a clause that states junior-eligible players may only appear in the NHL or Canadian Hockey League.

Yakupov was a dominant force during his time in the OHL, scoring 80 goals and 170 points in 107 career games for the Sting.

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Zidane's infamous head-butt immortalized

A sculpture by artist Adel Abdelsemed in front of Paris' Centre Pompidou modern art museum portrays former French international soccer star Zinedine Zidane aiming his shaven head at Italian opponent Marco Materazzi's torso in the 2006 World Cup final in Germany. REMY DE LA MAUVINIERE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

English League Cup

Rooney back in Red Devils' lineup

Wayne Rooney returned from a month-long injury absence as Manchester United eliminated Newcastle from the League Cup, while Arsenal and Tottenham advanced with ease on Wednesday.

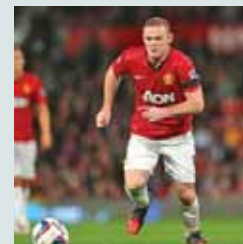
Anderson and Tom Cleverley provided the goals to secure United's 2-1 victory

as Rooney completed 76 minutes after recovering from a right leg injury.

Arsenal advanced to the fourth round by thrashing Coventry 6-1.

North London rival Tottenham dispatched another third-tier club, winning 3-0 at Carlisle. Norwich progressed with a 1-0 victory over Doncaster, and Reading edged out Premier League rival Queens Park Rangers with a 3-2 win.

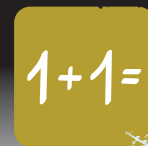
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Wayne Rooney was back in action with Manchester United on Wednesday. GETTY IMAGES



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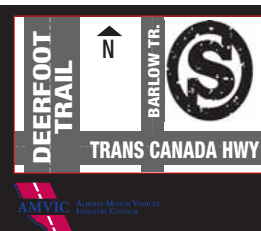
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AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION					
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC
New York	90	65	.581	N	N
Baltimore	89	67	.571	1½	N
Tampa Bay	85	70	.548	5	3
Boston	69	87	.442	21½	19½
Toronto	68	87	.439	22	20

CENTRAL DIVISION					
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC
Detroit	83	72	.535	N	N
Chicago	82	73	.529	1	N
Kansas City	70	85	.452	13	18
Cleveland	65	91	.417	18½	23½
Minnesota	65	91	.417	18½	23½

WEST DIVISION					
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC
Texas	91	64	.587	N	N
Oakland	88	67	.568	3	N
Los Angeles	85	69	.552	5½	2½
Seattle	72	82	.468	18½	15½

Wednesday's results
N.Y. Yankees 8 Minnesota 2
Detroit 5 Kansas City 4
Baltimore 12 Toronto 2
Tampa Bay 4 Boston 2
Oakland 9 Texas 3
Cleveland 6 Chicago White Sox 4
Seattle at L.A. Angels
Tuesday's results
Toronto 4 Baltimore 0
Cleveland 4 Chicago White Sox 3
Detroit 2 Kansas City 0
Tampa Bay 5 Boston 2
Oakland 3 Texas 2 (10 innings)
Minnesota 5 N.Y. Yankees 4
L.A. Angels 5 Seattle 4
Thursday's games
All Times Eastern
Kansas City (Mendoza 8-9) at Detroit (Fister 10-9), 1:05 p.m.
Oakland (Blackley 5-3) at Texas (M.Harrison 17-10), 2:05 p.m.
Seattle (Iwakuma 7-5) at L.A. Angels (Haren 12-11), 3:35 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Nova 12-7) at Toronto (Mor-row 8-7), 7:07 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Shields 15-9) at Chicago White Sox (Peavy 11-12), 8:10 p.m.

AL LEADERS

	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Cabrera Det	153	593	106	195	.329
Trout LAA	131	527	124	171	.324
Mauer Min	140	526	79	170	.323
Jeter NYY	151	651	96	208	.320
Butler KC	153	585	67	184	.315
Beltre Tex	148	574	92	181	.315
Felder Det	154	554	80	171	.309
Murphy Tex	140	435	60	134	.308
Hunter LAA	133	506	77	155	.306
Jackson Det	130	515	98	156	.303

HOME RUNS — Hamilton, Texas, 43; Cabrera, Detroit, 42; Encarnacion, Toronto, 41; Dunn, Chicago, 41; Granderson, New York, 40; Willingham, Minnesota, 35; Beltre, Texas, 35; Jones, Baltimore, 32; Trumbo, Los Angeles, 31; Pujols, Los Angeles, 30
PITCHING — Weaver, Los Angeles, 19-4; Price, Tampa Bay, 19-5; Harrison, Texas, 17-10; Sale, Chicago, 17-7; Verlander, Detroit, 16-8; Darvish, Texas, 16-9; Scherzer, Detroit, 16-7; Hughes, New York, 16-13; Shields, Tampa Bay, 15-9; Greinke, Los Angeles, 15-5
Not including Wednesday's games

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION					
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC
z-Washington	94	61	.606	N	N
z-Atlanta	90	65	.581	4	N
Philadelphia	78	77	.503	16	5½
Chicago	71	84	.458	23	12½
Miami	66	89	.426	28	17½

CENTRAL DIVISION					
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC
x-Cincinnati	93	62	.600	N	N
St. Louis	84	72	.538	9½	N
Milwaukee	80	75	.516	13	3½
Pittsburgh	76	79	.490	17	7½
Chicago	59	95	.383	33½	24
Houston	51	105	.327	42½	33

WEST DIVISION					
	W	L	Pct	GB	WC
x-San Francisco	89	65	.578	N	N
Los Angeles	80	75	.516	9½	3½
Arizona	78	76	.506	11	5
San Diego	74	81	.477	15½	9½
Colorado	60	94	.390	29	23

z-clinched playoff berth; x-clinched division
Wednesday's results
L.A. Dodgers 8 San Diego 2
Washington 8 Philadelphia 4
Atlanta 3 Miami 0
Milwaukee 8 Cincinnati 1
N.Y. Mets 6 Pittsburgh 0
Houston 2 St. Louis 0
Chicago Cubs at Colorado
Arizona at San Francisco
Tuesday's results
Philadelphia 6 Washington 3
Atlanta 4 Miami 3
Cincinnati 4 Milwaukee 2
Pittsburgh 10 N.Y. Mets 6
St. Louis 4 Houston 0
Colorado 10 Chicago Cubs 5 (7 innings)
San Diego 2 L.A. Dodgers 1
Arizona 2 San Francisco 2
Thursday's games
All Times Eastern
Milwaukee (W.Peralta 2-1) at Cincinnati (Latos 13-4), 12:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Correia 11-10) at N.Y. Mets (Dickey 19-6), 1:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Volstad 3-10) at Colorado (Chacin 2-5), 3:10 p.m.
Arizona (Corbin 6-7) at San Francisco (Zito 13-8), 3:45 p.m.
Washington (Gonzalez 20-8) at Philadelphia (Cloyd 2-1), 7:05 p.m.
Miami (Ja.Turner 1-3) at Atlanta (Hanson 12-9), 7:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Capuano 11-11) at San Diego (C.Kelly 2-2), 10:05 p.m.

NL LEADERS

	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Cabrera SF	113	459	84	159	.346
McCutchen Pitt	149	565	106	190	.336
Posey SF	141	505	74	168	.333
Molina STL	132	484	61	156	.322
Braun Mil	146	567	101	180	.317
Craig STL	113	443	74	137	.309
Wright NYM	149	556	88	170	.306
Scutaro SF	149	596	82	181	.304
Prado Atl	149	595	78	181	.304
Hill Ari	148	574	86	174	.303

HOME RUNS — Braun, Milwaukee, 40; Bruce, Cincinnati, 34; Stanton, Miami, 34; Laroche, Washington, 32; Soriano, Chicago, 31
PITCHING — Gonzalez, Washington, 20-8; Cueto, Cincinnati, 19-9; Dickey, New York, 19-6; Lynn, St. Louis, 17-7; Lohse, St. Louis, 16-3
Not including Wednesday's games

ORIOLES 12, BLUE JAYS 2

Toronto	ab	r	h	bi	Baltimore	ab	r	h	bi
Lawrie 3b	4	0	0	0	McLouth lf	4	2	2	1
Rasmus cf	3	0	0	0	Hoes ph-lf	1	0	0	0
McCoy ph-lf	1	0	0	0	Hardy ss	3	2	2	0
Encarnacion dh	4	1	1	1	Quintanilla ph-ss1	0	0	0	0
Escobar ss	3	0	0	0	Davis rf	4	2	2	5
Hechavarria ph	1	0	1	0	Chavez rf	0	0	0	0
Lind 1b	4	0	3	0	Jones cf	4	0	1	0
Davis lf	3	0	0	0	Avery cf	0	0	0	0
Sierra ph	1	0	0	0	Wietes c	3	1	0	0
Vizquel 2b	3	0	0	0	Thome dh	4	1	1	1
Arenchiba c	2	1	1	0	Reynolds 1b	4	2	1	2
Gose lf-cf	3	0	1	1	Flaherty 2b	3	0	1	0
					Andino 2b	1	0	0	0
					Machado 3b	4	2	2	3

Totals	32	2	7	2	Totals	36	12	12	12
Toronto	100	052	000	-12	Baltimore	100	052	22x	-12

E—Lawrie 2. LOB—Toronto 4, Baltimore 2.
DP—Toronto 2. Baltimore 1. 2B—Jones (39), Arenchiba (16). HR—McLouth (6); Davis (28); Thome (3); Reynolds (23); Machado (6). Encarnacion (42).
Toronto IP H R ER BB SO
Villanueva L, 7-7 4-2-3 7 6 6 1 7
Lyon 1-3 0 0 0 0 0 1
Carreno 1 2 2 2 0 1
Beck 1 2 2 2 0 1
Carpenter 1 1 2 1 0 2
Baltimore
Gonzalez W, 8-4 7 5 2 2 1 1
Matusz 1 0 0 0 0 0
Hunter 1 2 0 0 0 0
WP — Villanueva. **Umpires**—Home, Tom Hallion; First, Brian O'Nora; Second, Chad Fairchild; Third, Alfonso Marquez.
T—2:47. A—26,513 (45,971) at Baltimore.

CALENDAR

Oct. 5 — Postseason begins, wild-card playoffs.
Oct. 6 — Division series begin.
Oct. 13 — League championship series begin.
Oct. 24 — World Series begins, city of National League champion.
November TBA — Deadline for teams to make qualifying offers to their eligible former players who became free agents, fifth day after World Series.
November TBA — Deadline for free agents to accept qualifying offers, 12th day after World Series.
Nov. 7-9 — General managers meetings, Indian Wells, Calif.

HOCKEY

CHL

TOP 10 POLL

Second weekly top-10 poll for the 2012-13 season (previous ranking in parentheses):
1. (1) Quebec Remparts (QMJHL, 2-0-0-0)
2. (2) Edmonton Oil Kings (WHL, 2-0-0-0)
3. (3) London Knights (OHL, 2-0-0-0)
4. (5) Kitchener Rangers (OHL, 2-0-0-0)
5. (6) Halifax Mooseheads (QMJHL, 2-0-0-0)
6. (4) Portland Winterhawks (WHL, 2-1-0-0)
7. (8) Blainville-Boisbriand Armada (QM-JHL, 2-0-0-0)
8. (NR) Kamloops Blazers (WHL, 2-0-0-0)
9. (NR) Belleville Bulls (OHL, 2-0-0-0)
10. (NR) Calgary Hitmen (WHL, 2-0-0-0)
Honourable Mentions
Rimouski Oceanic (QMJHL, 2-0-0-0);
(10) Oshawa Generals (OHL, 1-1-0-0); (9) Saskatoon Blades (WHL, 1-1-0-0).

FOOTBALL

CFL

WEEK 13

EAST DIVISION						
	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA Pt
Montreal	12	8	4	0	332	337 16
Toronto	12	6	6	0	288	311 12
Hamilton	12	4	8	0	360	381 8
Winnipeg	12	3	9	0	237	377 6

WEST DIVISION						
	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA Pt
B.C.	12	9	3	0	317	222 18
Calgary	12	7	5	0	337	287 14
Saskatchewan	12	6	6	0	314	259 12
Edmonton	12	5	7	0	264	275 10

Friday's games
All times Eastern
Montreal at Hamilton, 7 p.m.
Edmonton at Calgary, 10 p.m.
Saturday's games
Toronto at Winnipeg, 7 p.m.
B.C. at Saskatchewan, 10 p.m.

SCORING LEADERS

	TD	C	FG	S	Pts
McCallum, BC	0	31	84	6	121
Whyte, Mtl	0	35	69	6	110
Palardy, Wpg	0	17	87	5	109
Paredes, Cal	0	31	66	1	98
Waters, Tor	0	13	63	4	80
Deangelis, Sas	0	14	51	1	66
Sheets, Sas	60	0	0	0	60
Milo, Sas	0	16	33	9	58
Whitaker, Mtl	54	0	0	0	54
Cornish, Cal	48	0	0	0	48
Lewis, Cal	42	1	0	0	44
Harris, BC	42	0	0	0	42
Walker, Ham	42	0	0	0	42
Dressler, Sas	42	0	0	0	42
Prefontaine, Tor	0	5	30	2	37
Matthews, Wpg	30	1	0	0	32
Anderson, Mtl	30	0	0	0	30
Owens, Tor	30	0	0	0	30
Kackert, Tor	30	0	0	0	30
Bruce, BC	30	0	0	0	30

NFL

WEEK FOUR

Thursday's game
All Times Eastern
Cleveland at Baltimore, 8:20 p.m.
Sunday's games
San Francisco at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
New England at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Houston, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Seattle at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
Miami at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at Jacksonville, 4:05 p.m.
Oakland at Denver, 4:05 p.m.
New Orleans at Green Bay, 4:25 p.m.
Washington at Tampa Bay, 4:25 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia, 8:20 p.m.
Monday, October 1
Chicago at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

CALENDAR

Oct. 16 — Fall league meeting, Chicago.
Oct. 16 — Trade deadline (4 p.m. EDT)

SOCCER

MLS

Friday's game
All Times Eastern
Chicago at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.

CONCACAF

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

FIRST ROUND
Wednesday's results
W Connection 1 Chivas 1
Marathon 2 Caledonia AIA 1
Alajuelense 1 Real Esteli 0
Tuesday's results
Aguila 0 Toronto 3
Herediano 2 Tauro 1
Monterrey 3 Municipal 0
Thursday's games
All Times Eastern
Puerto Rico Islanders vs. Isidro Metapan, 8 p.m.
FAS vs. Olimpia, 10 p.m.

ENGLAND

LEAGUE CUP

THIRD ROUND
Wednesday's results
Arsenal 6 Coventry 1
Carlisle 0 Tottenham 3
Manchester United 2 Newcastle 1
Norwich 1 Doncaster 0
Queens Park Rangers 2 Reading 3
West Bromwich Albion 1 Liverpool 2

SCOTLAND

LEAGUE CUP

THIRD ROUND
Wednesday's results
Rangers 2 Motherwell 0
Dunfermline 0 Aberdeen 1

ITALY

SERIE A

Wednesday's results
Pescara 1 Palermo 0
AC Milan 2 Cagliari 0
Catania 2 Atalanta 1
Cievo 0 Inter Milan 2
Genoa 1 Parma 1
Napoli 3 Lazio 0
Roma 1 Sampdoria 1
Torino 0 Udinese 0

GERMANY

BUNDESLIGA

Wednesday's results
Borussia Moenchengladbach 2 Hamburger SV 2
Stuttgart 0 Hoffenheim 3
Hannover 4 Nuremberg 1
Freiburg 1 Werder Bremen 2
Augsburg 1 Bayer Leverkusen 3

SPAIN

PRIMERA

Wednesday's result
Real Betis 2 Atletico Madrid 4

TENNIS

ATP — THAILAND OPEN

At Bangkok
Singles — First Round
Ivo Karlovic, Croatia, def. Marinko Matos-ovic, Australia, 6-3, 6-4.
Go Soeda, Japan, def. Danai Udomchoke, Thailand, 6-4, 7-5.
Gael Monfils, France, def. Kevin Anderson, South Africa, 6-4, 2-6, 7-5.
Second Round
Janko Tipsarevic (1), Serbia, def. Hiroki Moriya, Japan, 6-4, 6-4.
Jarkko Nieminen (7), Finland, def. Philipp Petzschner, Germany, 7-6 (1), 6-2.

MALAYSIAN OPEN
At Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Singles — First Round
Feliciano Lopez (5), Spain, def. Lukas Lacko, Slovakia, 6-3, 7-6 (3).
Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan, def. Pablo Andujar (6), Spain, 6-3, 6-2.
Alex Bogomolov, Jr., Russia, def. Dominic Inglot, Britain, 7-5, 6-3.
Alejandro Falla, Colombia, def. Rajeev Ram, U.S., 7-6 (4), 4-2, retired.
Nikolay Davydenko, Russia, def. Sanam Singh, India, 7-5, 6-4.
Second Round
Julien Benneteau (7), France, def. Mat-theuw Ebdon, Australia, 7-5, 6-2.
Vasek Pospisil, Vancouver, def. Michael Yani, U.S., 6-3, 7-5.

WTA — PAN PACIFIC OPEN

At Tokyo
Singles — Third Round
Victoria Azarenka (1), Belarus, def. Roberta Vinci (14), Italy, 6-4, 6-2.
Maria Sharapova (2), Russia, def. Lucie Safarova, Czech Rep., 6-2, 7-6 (5).
Agnieszka Radwanska (3), Poland, def. Jamie Hampton, U.S., 6-4, 6-3.
Angelique Kerber (5), Germany, def. Urszula Radwanska, Poland, 6-1, 6-1.
Sara Errani (6), Italy, def. Marion Bartoli (9), France, 3-6, 6-2, 6-2.
Caroline Wozniacki (10), Denmark, def. Li Na (7), China, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.
Sam Stosur (8), Australia, def. Dominika Cibulkova (12), Slovakia, 6-4, 7-5.
Nadia Petrova (17), Russia, def. Petra Martic, Croatia, 7-6 (2), 6-7 (1), 6-4.

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Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

You will find yourself caught up in a conflict of some kind and you'll have no choice but to take sides. But which side to support? The one that is least likely to desert you in your own moment of need.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Apply common sense to whatever situation you find yourself in today. Also, make sure you keep your tongue firmly behind your teeth, whatever the provocation may be. This is not a good time to be honest!

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

It may be tempting to hit back at those who are giving you a hard time, but the more bad things you say now, the more work will have to be done later to patch things up. Let go of vengeful thoughts.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Cancer is a cardinal sign, which among other things means you are ready to fight for what you believe — and you may have to today. Don't let anyone take from you what you don't want to give — not now, not ever.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

No matter how strong you think your arguments may be, you cannot force others to do things they don't want to do and the sooner you accept that fact, the easier your life will be — and theirs too.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

If you know what is good for you, any chores and tasks that need doing will be left for the weekend. Today, your priority is to patch up a friendship or relationship that has been heading downhill.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Today's cosmic picture urges you to find a creative way to bleed off the anger and frustration that has been building up inside. Getting your feelings down on paper is an especially good idea — but don't publish them!

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You are entitled to express your viewpoint forcefully but you are not entitled to stop others from expressing their opinions. Free speech is a right worth fighting for — for everyone, not just yourself.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

It may be the case that you have grown so comfortable doing something one way that you have failed to notice there are better ways to reach your goal. Move with the times. Not everything modern is bad.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Being a Capricorn, you enjoy it when the odds are against you, as it gives you a chance to prove how dynamic you are. While others are complaining that life is too tough, you'll just be getting on with it.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

If you apply yourself to the problem at hand, it won't be a problem for long. There is a determination about Aquarius that helps you tackle issues that others too easily give up on. Show that resolve now.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

Take no notice of those who say you are being irresponsible. They are merely jealous. Today's planetary set-up means it is better to be a bit reckless than take no risks at all. Do what feels right — and do it now. **SALLY BROMPTON**

Ollo Is a Mixture; the Other One's Here

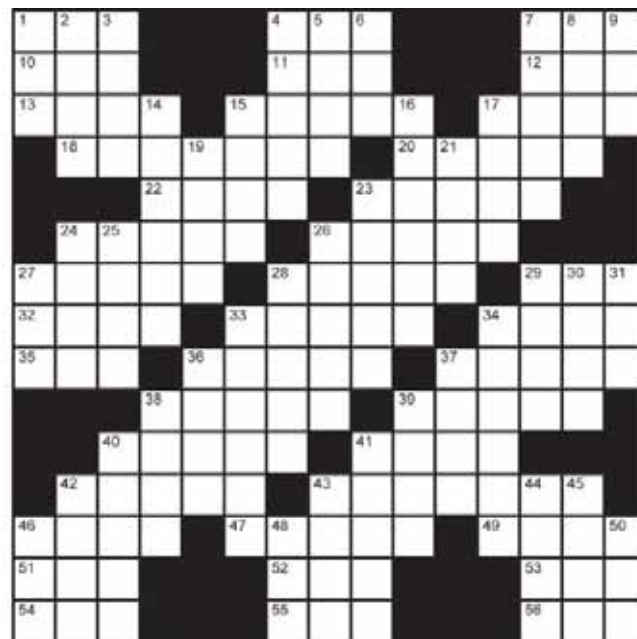
Across

1. Our star
4. Official Parliament opposition: initialism
7. "Finger-lickin' good" restaurant: initialism
10. Sean Lennon's mother Yoko
11. Consume
12. Society page adjective that means "born" in French
13. Prevaricator
15. Halifax-born singer McLachlan
17. Remove outside layer, as from an apple
18. IMAX
20. Checks out suggestively
22. Grandson of Adam who reputedly lived to 905
23. Eightsome
24. Race, as an engine (2 wds.)
26. Territory whose capital is Whitehorse
27. Canadian military trainee
28. Distinct musical sounds
29. Apply gingerly, with "on"
32. Great poker start
33. Impertinent
34. Dorothy's dog
35. Iniquity site
36. Chile con
37. Cheech's Edmonton-born partner
38. "How are you?"
39. Oldsmobile model discontinued in 2004
40. "Mr. Tambourine Man" and "Mr. Spaceman"

41. Evidence of healing
42. Makes a run for it
43. Anthem with English and French versions (2 wds.)
46. Chunk of dirt
47. Traditional Stamped-rival
49. National Park just across the Alberta-BC border from Banff
51. Do this on bended knees
52. "Big" clock in London
53. And not
54. Audiophile's collection
55. Bon ____ : witticism
56. Potato bud

Down

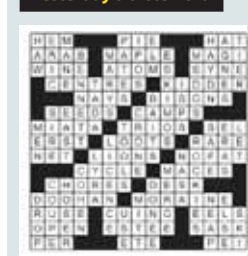
1. Our sun
2. Litre, metre, or tonne
3. Biblical ark builder
4. Approaches
5. "Bet you can't," e.g.
6. School fund-raising grp.
7. Committed a hockey infraction
8. Bank assessments
9. Cartoon collectible
14. Beirut-born Canadian star of *The Matrix* series Keanu
15. "Halt!"
16. What many consider Canada's national game
17. Architect's design
19. "What are you, some kind of ____?" (2 wds.)
21. Bygone Pontiac muscle cars
23. 28.35 grams
24. 100-metre dash, e.g.
25. Where Adam and Eve started
26. Toronto-born Neil called "The Godfather of Grunge"
27. Bouncer
28. England's Lake District lakes
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31. Marsh
33. "Because I ____!": parent's response to "Why do I have to?" (2 wds.)
34. Canada's best known retailer, familiarly (2 wds.)
36. Apple eater's throw-away
37. Tribe
38. Not the original color
39. Hertz Rent-_-
40. Promotes oneself online
41. A bloodhound follows one
42. Took off
43. Margarine
44. Finished
45. Sailor's hail
46. *This Hour Has 22 Minutes* network
48. PC maker
50. Bauxite or hematite

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